

## **MINUTES**

### **MONTANA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 65th LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION**

#### **COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS**

**Call to Order:** Chair Nancy Ballance, on January 23, 2017 at 3:00 P.M., in Room 102 Capitol

#### **ROLL CALL**

**Members Present:**

Rep. Nancy Ballance, Chair (R)  
Rep. Randy Brodehl, Vice Chair (R)  
Rep. Kelly McCarthy, Vice Chair (D)  
Rep. Dan Bartel (R)  
Rep. Tom Burnett (R)  
Rep. Rob Cook (R)  
Rep. Mike Cuffe (R)  
Rep. Janet Ellis (D)  
Rep. Carl Glimm (R)  
Rep. Kenneth L. Holmlund (R)  
Rep. Mike Hopkins (R)  
Rep. Donald W. Jones (R)  
Rep. Jim Keane (D)  
Rep. Jon A. Knokey (R)  
Rep. Ryan Lynch (D)  
Rep. Jimmy Patelis (R)  
Rep. Rae Peppers (D)  
Rep. Marilyn Ryan (D)  
Rep. Brad Tschida (R)  
Rep. Tom Woods (D)

**Members Excused:**

Rep. Kimberly Dudik (D)  
Rep. Bradley Hamlett (D)

**Members Absent:** None

**Staff Present:** Julie Johnson, Legislative Branch  
Joe Triem, Legislative Branch  
Sherri Row, Committee Secretary

**Audio Committees:** These minutes are in outline form only. They provide a list of participants and a record of official action taken by the committee. The link to the audio recording of the meeting is available on the Legislative Branch website.

**Committee Business Summary:**

Hearing & Date Posted: HB 23, 1/19/2017; HB 64, 1/19/2017

00:01:36 Chair Ballance

### **HEARING ON HB 23**

#### **Opening Statement by Sponsor:**

00:02:09 Rep. Jonathan Windy Boy (D), HD 32, opened the hearing on HB 23, Provide for suicide prevention among American Indian and rural youth.

**EXHIBIT(aph16a01)**

#### **Proponents' Testimony:**

00:06:59 Jordon Thompson, Confederated Salish and Kootenai Tribes  
00:08:53 Sen. Frank Smith  
00:09:55 Matt Kuntz, National Alliance on Mental Illness - Montana (NAMI)  
00:12:22 David Andersen, Montana Association of Christians (MAC)  
00:13:10 Beth Brennenman, Disability Rights Montana  
00:14:09 Richard Sangrey, Chippewa Cree Tribe  
00:17:07 Stacey Anderson, Montana Primary Care Association  
00:18:20 Mike Geboe, Rocky Boy Reservation  
00:19:10 Jonathan Eagle Man, self

**Opponents' Testimony:** None

**Informational Testimony:** None

#### **Questions from Committee Members and Responses:**

00:22:49 Rep. Ellis  
00:23:21 Rep. Windy Boy  
00:25:39 Rep. Patelis  
00:26:08 Rep. Windy Boy  
00:28:35 Rep. Patelis  
00:29:04 Rep. Woods  
00:29:11 Rep. Dudik joined the meeting  
00:29:45 Rep. Windy Boy  
00:32:00 Rep. Woods  
00:32:21 Rep. Windy Boy  
00:33:16 Rep. Peppers  
00:33:57 Rep. Windy Boy  
00:35:53 Rep. Hamlett joined the meeting  
00:36:25 Chair Ballance  
00:37:02 Rep. Windy Boy  
00:38:25 Chair Ballance  
00:38:58 Rep. Windy Boy  
00:39:14 Chair Ballance

#### **Closing by Sponsor:**

00:39:52 Rep. Windy Boy

**HEARING ON HB 64**

**Opening Statement by Sponsor:**

00:40:56 Rep. Kimberly Dudik (D), HD 94, opened the hearing on HB 64, Revise child abuse diversion project laws.

**Proponents' Testimony:**

00:42:53 Beth McLaughlin, Montana Supreme Court  
00:44:34 Maurita Johnson, Department of Health and Human Services (DPHHS)  
00:45:39 Matt Kuntz, National Alliance on Mental Illness - Montana (NAMI)  
00:46:56 Marc Stewart, Montana Association of Christians (MAC)

**Opponents' Testimony:** None

**Informational Testimony:** None

**Questions from Committee Members and Responses:**

00:47:48 Rep. Cook  
00:48:07 Rep. Dudik

**Closing by Sponsor:**

00:48:31 Rep. Dudik

**Committee Business:**

00:49:33 Chair Ballance  
00:51:43 Rep. Keane  
00:51:52 Chair Ballance

**ADJOURNMENT**

Adjournment: 00:52:10

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Sherri Row, Secretary

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Additional Documents:

**EXHIBIT**([aph16aad.pdf](#))